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- 11. Per reftel A, Post informed the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) of our urgent interest in seeking Sierra Leone's support for Ms. Gaer's candidacy to the UN Committee Against Torture. Charge spoke with the MFA Director General, Umaru Wurie, who did not convey GoSL intentions in this matter. Because Sierra Leone has just concluded national elections, which entails a change in government authority, it is difficult to assess how Sierra Leone might vote. Post will advise as soon as we receive a response.
- 12. Per request Ref B, post had delivered U.S. views on Ms. Gaer's candidacy to the MFA on August 8, 2007 (Ref. C) and raised the issue again with Ambassdor Wurie on August 30 during a subsequent visit.

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